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## THE BATTLE IS OVER, AND ROBERT FITZSIMMONS IS THE CHAMPION.

**In the Ring in Coahuila, Mex., Fitzsimmons Knocks Peter Maher Out in a Little More Than a Minute—James J. Corbett Challenges the Winner.**

Langtry, Tex., Feb. 22.—Robert Fitzsimmons, an Englishman, is to-day the champion heavyweight pugilist of the world.

Across the Rio Grande river from this place, in the state of Coahuila, Mex., yesterday he defeated Peter Maher.

It took little more than a minute of fighting for him to knock out Peter Maher and win the title. The fight was sharp while it lasted. Both were confident Fitzsimmons so much so that he seemed a little careless. Peter seemed a trifle nervous. Fitzsimmons took the aggressive from the call of time and forced Maher toward his (Maher's) corner. There Maher made a stand. His lead fell short and he clinched. Maher led twice after he had been broken away by the referee, landing lightly on the chest. Fitzsimmons smiled as he evaded the blow. Two clinches followed, then Fitzsimmons led with his left, landing lightly. He quickly followed with a short half arm swing with his right, landing upon Maher's left jaw point. The Irishman fell on his back, his head hitting the floor with a thud and a thump. His eyes rolled glassily and the fight was over.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 22.—James J. Corbett was out riding when the news of Maher's defeat was received in Chicago yesterday, but an Associated Press man met him on his return and notified him of the event. "Do you challenge the winner?" was asked. "Io do," said Mr. Corbett, "for $10,000, or any sum he may name, but there must be no long-winded talk about it. He must come and make his match in Chicago in business fashion and it must be done at once. This means business. I am right here and Mr. Fitzsimmons can reach me any minute he wants to. I mean business and quick. I will fight the winner anywhere on earth. I will fight him in Australia, his own country, if he wants me to. It is money that talks. Fitzsimmons has money now. Let me see the color of his dust and I am ready. If he wants the championship let him jump on a train and come to Chicago and we will fix up a fight in two minutes. I go away tomorrow night, but will be back week after next. I sent him a telegram last night asking him to meet me here between March 1 and 6. He can meet me then and we can make a match for any amount and any time, but it must be done promptly and by him in person."

Langtry, Tex., Feb. 22.—Yesterday Mr. Maher said: "I am of course disappointed. He is a clever fighter and I don't know exactly where I was hit seems to me it was on the jaw. The back of my head has a big lump on it and that's where it struck the floor. I thought I had him licked from the start and so far as my condition is concerned I have nothing to complain of and I would like to get a fight with somebody else. I am not particular which of the heavyweights."

City of Mexico, Feb. 22.—High officials of the department of foreign relations say reparding yesterday's prize fight that nothing can be done to punish the people concerned, as they merely violated what was practically only a police regulation, succeeding in making a dash into Mexican territory, avoiding Gov. Ahumada and his rurales, who were fifty miles away.

Had Gov. Ahumada caught them the offense would have been only a misdemeanor and nothing more. The case is not an extraditable one, as it comes under no clause of the treaty.

President Diaz has taken the ground right along that the Mexican law did not cover prize fighting, and his endeavor was merely to prevent the fight out of consideration for the United States.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 22.—The special cars awaiting the fight spectators at the El Paso depot were attached to the regular train on the Southern Pacific Thursday night, which was forty-five minutes late coming into El Paso There were five cars. About 150 people bought tickets at the station for Langtry, putting up $11.65 each. The tickets to the fight were $20 and those who wished could secure sleeping car accommodations for $3.

A quieter and better behaved lot of visitors to a prize fight never gathered. Fitzsimmons and his party occupied the next car to the last sleeper in the train of nine cars. Maher and his party were in the one immediately ahead of Fitzsimmons. The run to Langtry is 389 miles. It was without momentous incident.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 22.—Robert Fitzsimmons was born in Cornwall, England, June 14, 1862. He stands 5 feet 11¼ inches in his stocking feet. He established a reputation for himself by knocking out Herbert Slade, the "Maori." He knocked out many other clever fighters in Australia, and came to this country. Since the day Fitzsimmons landed here the American public has been interested in his doings in the ring.

### Committed Suicide.

Blanco, Tex., Feb. 22.—Charles Smith aged 35 years, living alone on his farm near Blanco, committed suicide by taking poison. No reason for his action is known or surmised. He was a bachelor and had a good home.

A South Bend, Ind., paper says that E. V. Debs will run for governor on the Populist ticket.

## QUITE A FLURRY IN THE SALVATION ARMY.

**Ballington Booth is Ordered to England and Refuses to Go, is Dismissed for Insubordination, and He and His Wife Have Disappeared.**

New York, Feb. 22.—Ballington Booth, commander of the Salvation Army in America, has disappeared with his wife. Their home in Montclair, N. J., is closed. They have not been at the army headquarters in this city since Thursday. Herbert Booth, on the steamship Teutonic Wednesday night Eva Booth, a sister, arrived from England. Herbert Booth was hastily summoned to New York by Col. Nicol, a staff officer of the army, who came here ostensibly on a mission to investigate the sentiment of rebellion in this country against the transfer of Commander Booth to another field. He arrived on Thursday and on that day a court of inquiry was held by the three with Ballington Booth before them. Proceedings became heated. There were charges and incriminations. Ballington Booth was ordered to proceed at once to England.

"I will not go," he said.

"This is insubordination," replied Herbert. "You know what that means in the army."

"Yes, I know."

"It means dismissal."

"Then I will accept it," replied the commander.

In the heat of the argument that followed the commander complained bitterly of the injustice of his father for removing him from the field where he had labored so long and where he wished to finish his life. He made use of terms of insubordination and criticisd the general severely.

"This means a trial by court-martial," cried Herbert Booth, springing to his feet.

"You have spoken disrespectfully of your father and your general. I prefer charges of insubordination against you. I move that the court proceed to try you for the words."

Col. Nicol supported Herbert Booth and made known his full authority.

"I have authority to dismiss you from office," he said, "and to appoint your successor. I now demand of you all property of the army that stands in your name. You are dismissed from office."

Then Ballington Booth rose to his feet and said:

"Let it mean dismissal," he said, "I will never stand it."

After receiving notice of dismissal he and his wife, aided by a few friends, spent the evening packing up their personal belongings. The keys were turned over soon afterward.

### Excitement in the House.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The house, in committee of the whole again yesterday, refused some of the Republican leaders in the matter of reducing the salaries of Indian inspectors from $3,000 to $2,500, the latter being the salary in the law for the current year. An appeal was made to the house in behalf of economy and retrenchment and was defeated.

Yesterday they renewed the struggle. Their defeat was emphasized by the fact that a parliamentary wrangle of over two hours was required to demonstrate that their amendment was in order, and that having won the first half of their victory in the decision of the chair, the house, by a vote of 67 to 73, refused to adopt the amendment. In pursuance of their policy of retrenchment, however, Mr. Cannon raised a point of order against two provisions, which changed existing laws, and they went out of the bill. The progress yesterday was very slow, only two of the sixty-one pages of the Indian bill being disposed of.

While Mr. Talbert, of South Carolina, and Mr. Bowers, of California, two rather hot-heated gentlemen, were hammering away at each other during the debate with much lustiness of voice and a whirlwind of gesticulation some ardent sportsman called out:

"Go it, Fitzsimmons."

Among the laughter that followed some one called "time" and the incident closed.

The house adjourned over Saturday, except for a night session devoted to private pension bills.

The evening session of the house was devoted exclusively to the private pension calendar. Five bills were passed and nine were reported to the house by the committee of the whole with a favorable recommendation.

### Federal Salaries.

Washington, Feb. 22.—In the judiciary committee of the house yesterday the question of the salaries of the Marshals' office and the District Attorneys of the Federal courts came up again. The proposition of Friday was reversed as far as the courts in Texas are concerned, and the Marshal and District Attorney of the Eastern district are each to receive $5,000. This is also applied to the court office at Fort Smith. The Marshals and District Attorneys of the other districts in Texas are to get, under the present plan $3,500 each and their traveling expenses and board while away from home.

### Dumas' Prediction.

The last time Sarah Bernhardt saw Alexandre Dumas she congratulated him on the fact that the thousandth performance of "La Dame aux Camelias" was soon to be given with proper ceremonies.

"Ah, madam," said the dramatist, "I am very willing that the event should be celebrated, but on one condition—that I be not present." And he was not.

## LOSS OF SEVEN LIVES.

### NEARLY ALL MEMBERS OF ONE FAMILY.

**A Residence in Baltimore Takes Fire, Seven Persons Are Asphyxiated, One Fatally Hurt by Jumping, and Five Others Injured.**

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 24.—Seven people were asphyxiated, one fatally hurt by jumping from a window and five others more or less injured by a fire in the residence of James R. Armiger, a prominent jeweler at 1806 Charles street, yesterday morning.

The dead are: James R. Armiger, aged 55; William B. Riley, his son-in-law, aged 4; Marian Riley, daughter of W. B. Riley, aged 2½; Mrs. Marian Chaplin, daughter of James R. Armiger, aged 30; James Champlin, her son, aged 3; Horace B. Manuel, aged 56, of New York city, a guest. Fatally injured: Alice Williams, colored servant, skull fractured and other serious injuries. Injured: Mrs. William B. Riley, burned about face and arms and suffering from inhalation of smoke; will recover; Mrs. James R. Armiger, aged 50, slight burns and suffering from shock and exposure; Miss Eleanor Armiger, aged 14, slightly burned; Miss Virginia Armiger, aged 25, ankle slightly sprained in jumping.

The house in which the holocaust occurred is one of a row of granite front residences just north of LaFayette avenue. It is four stories high and much rare bric-a-brac, plate and unique jewelry, of which Mr. Armiger was an enthusiastic collector, was lost.

[illegible] a pharmacy.

In the house were just thirteen persons. Of these ten were members of the Armiger household, two were servants and the other, Mr. Manuel, was a guest, who had been visiting the Armiger family for the past two or three days. It was his purpose to have returned to his home in New York last night, but Mr. Armiger prevailed on him to remain until Monday.

All of these people were in their bed rooms on the upper floors, some of them being partially dressed, when at 7:45 o'clock yesterday morning fire was discovered issuing from a partition in a cellar. It had ignited from an overheated furnace flue and was first seen by Louis Whiting, the colored man of all work, who was at the time cleaning the front steps. Whiting ran to the adjacent corner and gave the alarm to a policeman and hurried back to the house, entering the front door, closed it behind him and ascended to the second floor, where Mr. and Mrs. Armiger had their bedroom.

The house was by this time filled with a dense, stifling smoke and when the negro and Mrs. Armiger attempted to descend they found it impossible. Whiting aided Mrs. Armiger to the front window and helped her to reach a small balcony in front, upon which he placed her and returned to the aid of Mr. Armiger. He found the latter had gone and came back to Mrs. Armiger, who, clad in nothing but her night clothes, was shivering on the narrow balcony and shrieking in agonized tones for help. Half a dozen men who were passing hastened to the power house of the Charles street cable line, a block below, and procured a short ladder.

When they returned they found Deputy Fire Chief McAfee, a noted lifesaver, who quickly mounten the ladder. It was not long enough, but by standing on the uppermost round he could reach the frightened woman. As he attempted to lift her from the balcony her scanty clothing caught on an obstruction and she fell forward with her whole weight on the outstretched arm of the fireman. Just then the ladder slipped, and everyone below expected to see both the rescuer and the woman he was trying to save dashed to death. By a tremendous effort, however, McAfee steadied himself, and holding Mrs. Armiger with one hand grasped the balcony with the other. Hanging thus he slowly reached the ladder with his feet and brought the now fainting woman down in safety.

In the meantime the inmates of the other front rooms were crowding to the window, making most pitiful appeals for help. The people shouted to them not to jump, but Alice Williams disregarded their warnings, and with an appalling shriek sprang from the fourth story window, struck the stone steps full upon her forehead, fracturing her skull and sustaining other injuries from which she will die. An attempt was made to succor the other unfortunates by the doorway on Charles street, but when the policemen burst it in they were met by such a volume of smoke and flame that they were driven back.

In the rear room on the second floor were Eleanor and Virginia, the unmarried daughters of Mrs. Armiger. They were partialy dressed, but so rapid was the spread of the flames that they had no time to escape by the stairway. In their extremity they leaned far out of the rear window and cried for help. A neighbor came to their aid and under his cool headed directions Miss Virginia lowered her younger sister with a sheet and by throwing a mattress out of the window leaped to the yard below. She alighted in safety and beyond the shock and a slight injury to her ankle escaped unhurt.

By this time the firemen had reached the scene and in a twinkling had reached long ladders up to the windows both front and rear. Up these they swarmed and in a few minutes the remaining inmates of the doomed house were being carried out.

On the stairway leading from the second to the third floor was found the body of Mr. Armiger, with that of his little grandson, Richard Riley, clasped tightly in his arms, showing that the old man had made a gallant attempt to rescue the boy at the cost of his own life.

In the front room on the third floor was found the corpse of Mr. Manuel. He, too, had the body of a child in his arms, telling another story of unrequitted heroism.

In the rear room on the third floor, lying on the bed the firemen found the dead body of Mr. Riley. By his side lay his wife, breathing faintly. She was hurried into the open air in time save her life, and though she is badly burned about the face and arms and half crazed by her terrible loss, she will recover.

In another room were the bodies of Mrs. Champlin and her 3-year old son, while upon the upper floor the firemen found Ida Whiting the colored servant, unconscious from smoke, but not seriously hurt.

The injured were taken to homes of neighboring friends with the exception of the servants, who were conveyed to the city hospital. The dead were carried across the street to the residence of Dr. K. B. Bachelor, where every effort were made to resuscitate them without avail. When it was found that nothing could be done for them they were covered with sheets and laid out in the physician's parlor to await the coming of the undertaker.

### Lithographers' Strike.

New York, Feb. 24.—It was announced at a meeting of the Central Labor Union last night that a general strike of members of the International [illegible] in the market. Sold under an absolute [illegible] Protective and Insurance Union in this country and Canada would begin to-day. About 1,000 men will go out. Of this number 500 are located in this city and Brooklyn. The other cities which will be effected are Buffalo, Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago, Detroit, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Boston, Cleveland and Toronto. The lithographers' strike will seriously blockade the production of variegated calendars and advertising placards. Theatrical work will not be interfered with, as orders of this kind are placed during the summer months.

### A Roof Falls In.

Stamford, Conn., Feb. 24.—By the collapse of the roof of an old building in Dublin late Saturday night one boy was killed, another fatally hurt and several others seriously more or less injured. The dead are Patrick Killkelly, 6 years old. Injured, seriously: Bryan Killkelly, will die; Antonio Demato, 10 years old, severely crushed and bruised.

Saturday night twelve boys went up to the second floor of the house and began cutting out the studding posts and other available material, the house being torn down for the purpose of making improvements. They carelessly cut the lower parts of rafters which supported the roof, which caused the accident.

### The Sealing Bill.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Saturday Chairman Dingley reported to the house the bill agreed on by the ways and means committee to prevent the extermination of fur-sealing in Alaska. According to the terms of the measure, if the president finds himself unable to secure the co-operation of Great Britain, especially in securing the modus vivendi authorizing by the bill so as to protect and preserve the Alaskan seal herd for this year's sealing season, then the secretary of the treasury is authorized to take each and every fur seal on the Pribylon islands and to sell the skins and to cover the proceeds into the treasury.

### Burned to Death.

New York, Feb. 24.—Lillian Cecilia Lyons, the 14-year-old daughter of Daniel Lyons, of Brooklyn, was burned to death in her bed-room yesterday. The fire started through the accidental explosion of an oil stove, which had been used to heat the room. Lillian, who was an epileptic, was in bed at the time. She was unable to move without assistance. The bedclothes quickly became ignited and the girl was enveloped in flames before she could be rescued. They succeeded in getting the girl from the burning room. Before a physician arrived, however, the girl died in horrible agony.

### Situation in France.

London, Feb. 24.—The Times' correspondent at Paris says: The senate, by Friday's abdication, sided with the clamorers for a revision. It ought, therefore, to co-operate with the next ministry to revise the constitution and to legalize the position it has just assumed; otherwise the senate will inevitably disappear and France will drift toward that greatest calamity, a convention.

### Terrible Distress Reported.

Constantinople, Feb. 24.—The consuls of the powers who negotiated the peace at Zeitoun report the most terrible distress and illness there. There are 8000 refugees in the town, and an almost entire absence of beds and clothing. Many are dying of cold and starvation. The ambassadors here have opened funds for their relief.

### Recognition Impossible.

Madrid, Feb. 24.—The Spanish minister at Washington, Senor Dupuy de Lome, replying to an inquiry on the subject telegraphed that he regards it as impossible that the United States should recognize the Cuban insurgents as belligerents.

### Relative Suffering.

Mrs. Waggles—Doesn't your husband suffer dreadfully with rheumatism?

Mrs. Wiggles—Yes, but it's nothing to what the rest of us have to endure.—Somerville Journal.

The central populist club of Collin county meets in populist head quarters, McKinney Texas., Saturday Mar. 7 at 1 p. m.


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## THE CHAMPION GONE.

### FITZSIMMONS AND PARTY LEFT FOR NEW YORK.

**While Maher and Friends Have Gone to Pittsburg, Pa.—Everybody Received Their Money Fitzsimmons' Future—He Will Go to England.**

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 24.—In spite of the fact that several days have elapsed since Fitzsimmons and Maher settled their pugilistic differences on the banks of the picturesque Rio Grande the big mill is still the topic of conversation here among the remaining sports and other people. Every fellow you meet, no matter whether he swelled or diminished his wad on the result, has his own version of it, and is busy telling how it happened, the whys and wherefores. There is one thing, however, which is conceded, and that is, that it was the prettiest fight on record during the brief time it lasted.

The most artistic thing about the whole affair was the smoothness and ingenuity exercised by Stuart, in the selection of a battle ground. A better, more obscure and safer place could not have been found.

An Associated Press representative had a talk with Fitzsimmons about the Corbett challenge on the way in from the battle ground and he said: "I shall completely ignore that fellow Corbett. It was $1000, American money, to 1 cent, Mexican coin, that Jim would get in his oar just as he has. I shall use about the same argument once employed by Charles Mitchell—tell him to go and get a reputation. Let him go whip Peter Maher and [illegible] then I will be open to talk business. I have no use for Corbett. He is a [illegible] and I have no time to waste on him. Both men want to [illegible] head on me. Both men want to [illegible] him, and I think either can lick him. This much I shall insist upon: He must first win from Maher and Choynski before he gets into a ring with me. I whipped with ease the man Corbett presented the championship belt to in order to escape a match with him.

"To show Corbett how little weight his championship carried I now formerly through the Associated Press renounce all claims to the belt and refuse to accept it.

"I am going to Madison Square for the night of Feb. 29 with half a dozen contracts. I made the contracts conditionally on winning from Maher, and then, with Julian, Rooster Rooster and my family I sail for England."

Fitzsimmons was met by a monstrous crowd here on his return and he and Julian took a carriage, while poor, defeated and cast down Maher got off the same train and walked to his room in the house of Dr. Albers.

Martin Julian and Fitzsimmons drove direct to the State National bank, where they had their certified checks cashed. They received $1000 in gold, the other $9000 in currency.

Leaving the bank Fitz went direct to his lion and taking the brute out explained to the animal just how he had knocked out Maher.

When asked by a reporter what he intended to do with Corbett's challenge Fitz said: "I will attend to that fellow in due time. He don't want any fight with me, but hopes to get some free advertising with his bluffs. I am going to defend the championship against all comers, and I am going to look after my own interests."

Dan Stuart was interviewed by a reporter and he said: "I have kept faith with the public, and when Corbett and Fitz are matched I will be in the field bidding for the fight. The vicinity of El Paso offers the greatest facilities in the world for pulling off a fight."

It is believed that Fitz will refuse to fight any one until next winter, as he wants to make some money out of his championship.

The Maher party left Saturday night over the Texas and Pacific road for Pittsburg. Julian says his party will remain a short time and then leave for New York.

Dan Stuart was paid the $6000 guaranteed by the citizens of El Paso in case he brought off the fight.

### Merchant Held Up.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 24.—Yesterday morning Collins Adams, who runs a small grocery store on East Twelfth street, reported at police headquarters that he was sitting in his store Saturday night, when a man entered, pointed a pistol at his head and ordered him to hand over all the money he had. Adams promptly complied, when the stranger backed out of the door and closed it, held his pistol against the glass until he saw his way of escape clear and then left. He threatened to kill Adams if the latter made any outcry. Adams said he was afraid to get out to summon help until the man had escaped.

### Grayson County Farmers Behind.

Tom Bean, Tex., Feb. 24.—Farmers in this (Grayson) county are farther behind now than they have been for a number of years at this time of the season. The cotton acreage will be increased to some extent in this locality, owing to the good prices this last season, being better than before for some time. There was a good per cent of oats sowed.

### McMillan Died.

Houston, Tex., Feb. 24.—The young man, Lee McMillan, who shot himself Saturday night in a house on Prairie avenue, died yesterday from the effects of the wound. The only facts immediately bearing upon the act at the moment the wound was inflicted came through a few words spoken shortly before by the unfortunate young man. There was no one else in the room at the time. In fact, it was several minutes before any one else knew it, and when they did, the information came through his telling them. A couple of parties, the first who spoke to him, made this statement to the coroner.

Hon. H. D. Woods, of Greenville, addressed the people Monday night, telling them of the short comings in the democratic and republican ranks, and asserting his faith in populism. He spoke at Josephine Tuesday night. Mr Woods is milder in address than the average Third party speaker, and made a right good impression. —Nev. Cor. Farmersville Times

## A WOMAN'S QUESTION.

Do you know you have asked for the costliest thing
Ever made by the hand above—
A woman's heart, a woman's life,
And a woman's wonderful love?

Do you know you have asked for this priceless thing
As a child might ask for a toy—
Demanding what others have died to win,
With the reckless dash of a boy?

You have written my lesson of duty out,
Manlike you have questioned me;
Now stand at the bar of my woman's soul,
Until I have questioned thee,

You require your mutton shall always be hot,
Your socks and your shirts shall be whole;
I require your heart to be true as God's stars,
As pure as heaven your soul.

You require a cook for your mutton and beef:
I require a far better thing;
A seamstress you're wanting for stockings and shirts—
I look for a man and a king.

A king for a beautiful realm called Home,
And a man that the Maker God
Shall look upon as He did on the first,
And say, "It is very good."

I am fair and young, but the rose will fade
From my soft young cheek some day—
Will you love me, then, mid the falling leaves,
As you did 'mid the blooms of May?

Is your heart an ocean so strong and deep
I may launch my all on its tide?
A living woman finds heaven or hell
On the day she is made a bride.

[illegible] that are grand and
[illegible] true,
All things that a man should be;
If you give this all, I would stake my life
To be all you demand of me.

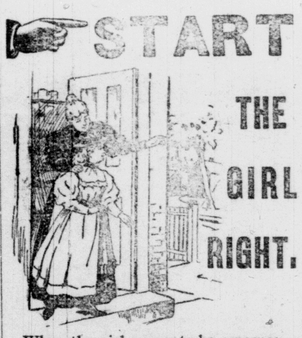
If you cannot do this, a laundress and cook
You can hire, with little to pay.
But a woman's heart and a woman's life
Are not to be won that way.

—Mrs. Browning.

### The Real Issue.

The arrogant money powers, blinded to selfishness and pride of wealth, will do well not to force the issue. For if the issue is joined the end is sure. The people will triumph. And if it should come to the people, the millions of New England and Middle states, the tens of millions of the already passionately indignant south and the great west, that the inevitable alternative forced upon them by this issue is either government by wall street, or free silver, they will choose free silver. The American people will never consent to the virtual control of their government by Wall street. And there are tens of thousands of honest sound money men who, when compelled to choose between the two evils, will, however reluctantly, rather submit to free silver than to rule by the Wall street money power.—The New York World.

A special to the Fort Worth Gazette from Galveston states that at a speech at Woolams Lake the sound (?) money men seemed to be after Culberson's scalp, for an extravagant administration. The boys at the forks of the creek are beginning to get after somebody's scalp when they find their property doubly assessed to keep up the revenues of an administration too prone to call expensive special sessions of the legislature to settle questions arising from its own reprehensible negligence and ignorance.—Dallas News.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### Huntington on the Stand.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The senate committee on Pacific railroads was in session yesterday with Mr. Huntington still on the stand and Senator Morgan again acting as interrogator-in-chief. The inquiry was continued on the lines of the report made by the Pattison committee.

Mr. Huntington asserted that many of the statements made in the report were the result of mere street talk in San Francisco. He was asked if it was true as was stated in the late Senator Standford's testimony before that commission that Huntington, Stanford, Hopkins and Crocker had each received $13,000,000 in stock after the completion of the Central Pacific, and replied that this statement did not accord with his recollection. The four had received $15,000,000 in stock in the aggregate, and it had been divided equally.

"Are you," asked Senator Morgan, "indifferent to public opinion?"

"I am satisfied," Mr. Huntington replied, "if one man thinks well of me, and that is C. P. Huntington."

The committee adjourned until next Friday to give Mr. Huntington an opportunity to examine the Pattison report with the view of making his statement on the points developed in this document.

Senator Morgan remarked that he wanted to give Mr. Hunting on an opportunity to answer the aspersions cast upon him, but Mr. Huntington replied that it would take 100 years to reply to all that his enemies had said of him.

### Killed His Father.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 22.—E. R. Campbell, ex-clerk of the United States district court, was shot and killed by his son, Robert Campbell, in this city yesterday. Young Campbell has been reported as mentally unsound for some time.

Mr. Campbell was walking on North Vine street with his son, E. R. Campbell, Jr., when the latter suddenly drew a revolver and shot his father just over the ear, the bullet entering the brain. Mr. Campbell fell and expired instantly.

Young Campbell was immediately taken into custody and conveyed to the police station. He is 28 years old and had been a patient at a private sanitarium in Michigan and at other in this state in different times. It is thought the killing was due to the belief on the part of young Campbell that his father intended to send him back to an asylum for treatment. Deceased had been clerk of the United States district court for many years and was well known.

### She Told on Him.

St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 22.—John W. Smith, a young farmer of Princeton, is under arrest here on charges of counterfeiting. Mrs. Laura Lemon, a sweetheart of Smith's, informed the officers. She claims Smith offered her counterfeit dollars to pass on merchants. She was arrested and placed in jail here. She wrote letters to John and A. Brummell, of Princeton, threatening to expose them as members of the same gang of counterfeiters if they did not secure bonds for her release. They easily secured the bond. Meantime the Federal officers got possession of the letters and other evidences against the Brummells. They have not yet been arrested. A large amount of counterfeit coin was found at Smith's house.

### Murdered and Robbed.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Feb. 22.—Charles Scannell, on whose person were found papers showing him to have been discharged from the United States service by expiration of enlistment at Columbus Barracks, O., on Feb. 6, 1896, and who was paid $170 by a United States paymaster in Chicago on Feb. 8, 1896, was found dead on the rive bank near this place. Everything points to a murder, a jagged wound in the right temple showing how he met his death. A revolver was found tied to a handkerchief to his right hand and one chamber empty. His money, coat and vest were gone. The police have some clews on which they are working. Scannell was last seen in Louisville with almost $200.

### A Silly Woman.

New York, Feb. 22.—A family fued mars the peace of the Petrie family, of Brooklyn. It is due to the desire of Mrs. Delbert Petrie to have the body of her pet poodle dog buried by the side of her deceased husband in the family plot in Greenwood cemetery. The other members of the Petrie family object strenuously. From Undertaker J. L. Meeks Mrs. Petrie has ordered an exquisitely made casket for her dead pet. Mr. Meeks said he had much difficulty to satisfy his customer's demands. The funeral is set to take place on Sunday next.

### Killed by a Train.

Winchester, Ky., Feb. 22.—The westbound passenger train on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad ran into a buggy Thursday night containing Richard Steele and his brother, John Steele, near Tabb's Station. The vehicle was demolished and both men instantly killed. They were among the most prominent farmers in Central Kentucky and connected with the best families. Both leave families.

### For Coast Defense.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Senator Squire will early next week report from the committee on coast defenses his bill for fortifications. It appropriates $57,000,000, the whole or part to be immediately available on the order of the President. There is an emergency clause to authorize the speedy completion of fortifications in case of war.

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| North " | No 3 | 10:59 a. m. |
| South " | No 4 | 5:05 p. m. |
| North " | No 1 | 8:12 p. m. |
| South " | Cannon Ball | 9:48 p. m. |
| | EAST LINE. | |
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| Passenger | leaves. | 11. 25 a. m. |
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# THE DEMOCRAT.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1896.

F. C. Thompson, Editor & Propriet'r
Walter B. Wilson, Local Editor.


## DEMOCRAT AND NEWS.

We have made arrangement to club with Dallas Semi-Weekly News which is the best newsgathering paper in the South-west and the fairest in the treatment of all political and religious sects. You can get the Twice-a-week News and THE DEMOCRAT for $1.75! Come in at once, for this will be a year of unusual interest, made so by the great political battle to be fought.

Hear Thurman at the court house Saturday.

THE taxpayers are holding on to one campaign document—their 1895 tax receipt.

DUDLEY denounces the "national democratic straddle" on the finance question but advises a state straddle.

WHEN a vote is taken on a silver bill in the senate a looker on cannot tell on which side R. Q. Mills will come out on, he changes so many times during the registering of the vote.

DR. NANSEN, the Norwegian, having discovered the North Pole we suggest that Cleveland and his cabinet take a hunt in the regions surrounding the pole and remain until "prosperity" and "confidence" are restored.

ALEX E. Sweet and Wm. M. O'Leary are forging the "Texas Sifter" to the fore as a national humorous paper. The Sifter is now published at Dallas.

THE campaign of ridicule is no more. The masses of the G. O. P. will not be blinded further by the senseless bombast of the wiry politicians.

The apponents of populism are especially invited to the court house, Saturday at 1 p. m to hear the principles of that party expounded by one of its ablest exponents. Give the people's party a hearing before you condemn it.

Judge John H. Reagan a few days since, wrote a letter for publication in which he reproduced his usual platitude regarding the time honored principles of the democratic party" and appealed to populists to come back to the Democratic organization of Texas and this help to save our country. Hon Jerome C Kearby now comes out in a public letter in which he, in a most brilliant manner, answers the chairman of the Texas Railroad commission. In our next issue we will print Mr. Kearby's letter which everybody should read.

## Thurman's Dates.

Hon W L Thurman of Denton speaks to-night at Viney Grove No 1, to-morrow (Friday) night at Bowlby school house and at 1 p. m. Saturday in the court house, McKinney. He has been seen speaking each night this week in this county to splendid audiences. E C Forbes president of Plano club wrote us Tuesday, "Dr. Thurman spoke here last night. He is an excellent reasoner and created a good impression. He is mild and conservative in his remarks and gives offense to no one yet his points are telling in their effect, and carry conviction to every inteligefit mind"


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## Populist Committee Meeting.

Baird, Tex., Feb. 22.—The populist county executive committee met here to-day. They ordered a county convention to convene at Baird May 1 to nominate a full county ticket and to elect delegates to all state and district conventions. They feel very sanguine.

## Freight Rates and Government Ownership of Railroads.

"A train loadof flour from Kansas City to Galveston may be stopped at Dallas, under the interstate commerce law, and a car cut out for which $80 freight must be paid; the train proceeds to Galveston, 300 miles further, where only about $50 per car is collected. A car of potatoes may be shipped from Colorado to New Orleans via Dallas, at which city it may be stopped and the potatoes removed save a very few, when the car proceeds to New Orleans. The reason for this subterfuge being that New Orleans, thoguh 500 miles further than Dallas, enjoys a freight rate not much, if any more, than one-half of the Dallas rate on such shipments, though the same go through Dallas en route."

—Judge Edward Gray.

"When people to the north of us can get their stuff hauled 1000 miles for less money than we can get it hauled 300 miles to our own coast, something is wrong.

Barnett Gibbs.

"It is well understood that the ostensible rate from Kansas City to Galveston was 15 cents per 100 pounds * * which is the same as from North Texas to Galveston and still a world of corn moves from Kansas to Galveston and the shellers of North Texas are idle. Was this 15-cent rate from Kansas cut? * * * When we write the commission about it, it asks for proof. It may proof needed have? If a man sees straws going across the street like the dickens, does he need anyone to tell him a breeze is blowing?"

—J. Farley, Manager Dallas Freight bureau.

From the above is dislosed a condition that is simply outrageous from whatever standpoint it may be viewed. Indeed, it is so grotesqueiy absurd, one wonders if it is a farce on the law of cause and effect, and a comedy in defiance of reason, common sense and equity.

Here are railroads taking a freight rate voluntarily, of their own accord, from the North Texas boundary to the gulf at less than one-half the commission rate 15cents per 100 pounds. Yet every shipper who loads a car anywhere in North Texas, on these some roads, pays 15 cents, the regular commission to Galveston, for every car shipped, while the same roads, it seems, are perfectly willing to accept a 6 or 7ct rate for the same haul on the cars from Kansas going through the state to the coast.

Now, we all know, if there is money in hauling corn from North Texas on the brink of Red river, to the gulf at a 6 or 7-cent rate, then there must be dead oodles, or the Dutchman's one per cent, at a 15-ct rate. On the other hand, if the commission has figured it out that these roads under less than a 15-cent rate, would be confiscated or destroyed, then a 6 or 7-ct rate must be carrying them to the diminutive bowwows. But nobody seriously entertains such an idea as that. Everybody remembers something about that famous decision, considered by many as rendering non-effectual the power of the commission, in that the roads were permitted to contest rates they deemed confiscatory.

It now seems the commission had no desire to steer anywhere within the purview of that decision, in fact they have given it a latitude, if the voluntary action of the roads are to be considered, that renders the decision superfluous, and that cakes two or three cents a bushel, on every bushel of corn shipped from North Texas that would be in the pockets of the producer, on a 9 or 10-ct rate, instead of the 15ct rate the commission allows. Then there would be shown the roads more mercy than they are disposto show themselves. In the light of these facts, is would appear that the commission was in the interest of the railroads rather than the people. Nevertheless, Judge Gray thinks our commission is very efficient, and speaks of these rates as water rates and interstate rates, with which our state commission hothing to do—although he says there is not water enough between the shipping point and destination to float a dug-out. In this connection he says we must make the Trinity navigable to Dallas; not that freight will be hauled otherwise than it is now—by the roads—but by no other way can rates be reduced. This is the kind of fiction we are asked to accept as argument. The idea that the roads cannot now be made to accept a rate within the state equivalent to the Texas end of the division in the long haul from Kansas, and without the Trinity navigation bluff, which Judge Gray acknowledges as a bluff, and that the roads will still do the hauling, is about on a par in intelligence and as devoid of reason as the action of the roads that demand $80 freight for a car of flour stopped at Dallas, while on a train carried through Dallas to Galveston, they are willing to take $50. A man might safely advocate the government ownership of railroads here, however little he may know, without making himself more ridiculous, and such object lessons as these are fast speeding the time for realizing the wisdom such a course.

C. E. OBENCHAIN.

## PRINCETON PICK-UPS.

Another Newsy Batch of Spicy Locals Births. Grim Death's Visitation.

Feb. 24th, 1896.

Farmers made good use of the past week's fair weather.

Joe Largent came over from McKinney Thursday, on business.

George Crosson is convalescent after several weeks attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Mary L. Jett and son returned to their home in Farmersville Wednesday, after spending several days with their cousin, Mr. J. B. Jett, near Princeton.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Vaughan, Monday Feb. 17th, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. James Froude arrived last Saturday from Carthage, Tennessee, and will make their home with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ellis who reside at Heardland.

W. J. Ledbetter and bride came out on Sunday's noon train, to their home at Bethany.

The sick are: W. T. Shockly, infant of H. S. Davis, W. B. McGehee, infant of S. H. Guffee, Miss Clara Geirheart and Oscar, son of T. W. Rains.

Wednesday evening a 2 o'clock the spirit of Mrs. Mary Crosson, wife of W. W. Crosson, left its tenement of clay for an eternal abode in brighter realms above. Mrs. Crosson was delicately constituted and had suffered for years from a complication of diseases, and during the last half-year her health had been distressingly bad, and then the attack of pneumonia, from which she died lasted just seven days. Her body was laid to rest beside those of her loved ones gone before, Thursday evening in the burying ground near the Higgins' school house, Rev. Joel S. Graves conducting the funeral services. She was near fifty years of age and an estimable christian lady.

For several days past the neighbors in this community, on meeting one another would ask: Have you heard from Mr. Hodge today; how is he? Perhaps the answer would be: I have just left there; he is slowly passing away. That question will be asked no more. The end came Friday night, and his weary, diseased body sleeps the last long sleep. Mortality has put on immortality and his liberated spirit basks in the eternal life-giving sunshine of God. His affliction was Bright's disease, from he had been a sufferer for more than thirty years. Notwithstanding he lived to a good age, being in his 60th year. The funeral took place Sunday morning at 11:30 o'clock in Princeton cemetery, Rev. D. W. Garvin conducting the last sad rites. Beautiful and comforting thought! Death is not destruction, but harvesting—the gathing from fields of mortal tillage ripe fruits in their season. Like as a shock of corn cometh in its season; so are matured souls gathered to the garner of God."

Mrs J. A. Anderson of Oklahoma, Territory, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. Boorman.

Dr. L. W. Miller a physician from Richardson, was in this community Monday prospecting for farming land.

John Doyle came out Sunday and opened school again Monday morning.

Only two cases of measles during the past week. HPESOJ.

## Fairfield Fancies.

Feb. 26, '96.

A. E. Lawrence and wife, Mrs. Kendall and Miss Jimpie Kendall went to Pilot Point, Friday, to visit relatives there. Mrs. Kendall remained for an extended visit. The others retured home Monday.

Our school was dismissed for this term last week.

Tom Foster sold his Fairfield property, last week, to Mr. Forscythe. LENA.

## COPEVILLE CULLINGS.

A Disturbance.—Two Men Arrested.

Copeville, Texas, Feb. 22, 1896

Last Sunday night Eck Stevens and Scott Allison proceeded to tank up on so-called peruna and came down to our school house to prayer meeting and proceeded to do things up lively. Scott Allison struck the stove pipe with his brass knucks, knocking it nearly down, and on being taken out of the house he struck the door, bursting it in three places. Stevens, after getting out of the house, pulled his pistol and commenced shooting. The boys had a fine time that night, but not so the next day when Ed Gerren came down from Nevada and took charge of them.

Proof Roberson went ducking to-day and succeeded in bagging one big mallard.

Frank Dilleford of Dallas county is visiting his father and mother.

Elzy Seay is the happiest man in this neighborhood. He has a fine new boy at his house.

BILL.

## Lucas Items.

Lucas, Texas, Feb. 22, 1896.

Singing at Uncle Rufus Morrow's last Saturday night. Large crowd and good singing.

Fine Sunday school last Sunday. After the lesson was recited Prof. J. M. Gallagher took charge of the singing class which rendered excellent singing.

Uncle Rufe Morrow and Rev. W. T. Newsome visited the school at Winningcoff Friday evening.

R. W. Hickey has moved on J. D. Morrow's farm near Culleoka. A. R. Smontherman has moved on his place here. Bob Coffey moved on his father's home place and Jim Watson took his place in our town.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Coffey, a fine girl baby. —To Mr. and Mrs. Dick Birch a fine boy baby. All doing well.

NOVICE.

## Lebanon Siftings.

Lebanon, Tex., Feb. 24, 1896.

The concert which was to have been held at the school house at Lebanon Saturday night was a failure owing to the weather.

I. S. Spence visited Pilot Point last week and says oat sowing was in progress.

Mrs. Rose Belew is now visiting relatives in Denton county where she will remain awhile then join her husband in one of the western counties where they expect to make their future home.

With regret we chronicle the untimely death of Mr. John Vandiveter who died Feb. 16, from measles and la grippe Deceased leaves a wife and little children.

Mrs. Joe Baumgardner has been very ill with measles.

Mrs. Bob Heck is on the sick list.

Mr. Roberts who resides two miles east of Lebanon sustained a painful cut while chopping wood in Rowlett bottom last week, disabling him for work by severely cutting his foot.

The new Christian church of Lebanon is near completion.

Some time since the store of Lee Gullege was broken open and the money drawer rifled of its contents, about fifteen dollars, and goods to the amount of ten or fifteen dollars were taken. No clew to the guilty parties.

Farmers are greatly behind with their work owing to continuous rains.

BIMET.

## Engleman Notes.

La grippe is prevalent in this vicinity.

Two car loads of meal were shipped from Engleman's mill last week.

A leap year party lately given by the young ladies appears to have been a very tangled up affair so far as cupid is concerned.

Gabe Snyder is confined to his home with a bruised leg.

Wm. Pettway took advantage of the late fine weather by running seven plows.

The valentine dawing at Uncle Dave Davis' was largely attended and the boys and girls report a very enjoyable time.

It is reported that we are to have a religious revival at Forrest Grove soon.

The friends of Newton Deal will be glad to learn that he is convalescent.

The little son of Mr. McCargo, who was kicked by a horse some time ago, is still in a very critical condition. OTIS.


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## POPULIST PARAGRAPHS,

Gleaned From Everywhere—Unprecedented Growth of That Young Giant—The Peoples Party.

W. T. Hale writes from Limestone county "The pops are booming here; many democrats are joining our populist club."

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Although sick and unable to walk, Howard, the gallant young Alabama populist congressman, was carried into the house to vote for free silver when the test came up a few days ago.

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M. L. Morris, writes us from Guion, Taylor county, to send him THE DEMOCRAT and adds that he once lived in Collin "and wish to watch the campaign in my native county. We have already nominated our ticket and the campaign has opened. We are very sanguine of success. Accessions are coming to us constantly and they only beat us about sixty votes the last election."

* * *

If Uncle Sam can run the mail service properly he can do as well with the railroads, etc. During 1894, according to Poor's Manual, the railroads netted $400,000,000. If we had government ownership this $400,000,000 would have been distributed among the people of the whole instead of a few capitalists who have wrecked most of the roads, and taken them by law from the people who built them.—Statesboro Dollar.

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Senator O. B. Colquitt of Kaufman, (Free silver democrat) who was greatly disappointed because two conventions were ordered, thinks that a split in the party is inevitable. "I looked for it to come with the meeting of the committee," said the senator, "and am a little surprised that it did not. It will now doubtless come when the gold men (or Hardy's committee) meet at Galveston, but if not then it will be sure to come later on. I feel it in the air, and I am afraid that the next governor of Texas will be a populist. Whether we have a split or not the state will go populist in the presidental election, and this to me seems to be a foregone conclusion."

## Sister Grove Happenings.

Feb. 24, '96.

The sick are convalescing.

Mr. Allen, a relative of Mrs. Pilgrim, is visiting her from Georgia.

Sam Thomas and wife are visiting at the latter's mother, Mrs. Morrow.

Mr. Fate and Miss Laura Horton visited at Mr Watkins' Sunday evening.

Messrs Hubbard and Snyder went to Weston Friday evening.

Bob Lafevers visited his brother, Monroe, recently.

Prof. Hinsley was in our midst again recently.

A number of our young ladies stormed Mrs. Pilgrim and had a quilting Tursday.

Miss Bessie Frost is taking music at Mr. Curtis'.

Sunday school every Sunday morning, singing in the evening; spelling Friday nights and prayer meeting Saturday nights.

Our people are thanking Messrs Tucker and Fate Horton for the nice stile block at the school

Spelling Friday night was good. Wilburn Scroggins read "The News."

Another prospective wedding is on hand. ANNIE.

## Add Ran Letter.

Waco, Tex., Feb. 21, '96.

The recent speech of Mr. B. J. Forbes, of Collin county, in the halls of the Walton literary society of our university and published in THE DEMOCRAT, seems to be creating a good deal of comment pro and con. I see nothing in the thoughts therein expressed to cause unfavorable comment by those in whose interest he was speaking. To the contrary they are sentiments which are endorsed by the common people.

There are three great classes of people. From the dregs of the first class to a position in the second class is the result of a struggle.

Poets may write sweet verses of the blessedness of being poor, but we see nevertheless that poverty is cold and unrelenting.

The middle or second class is the class which rules the wold. It is composed of the business and professional men; and those engaged in agricultural pursuits. The only difference between this class and the third is the weight of coin. Man is permitted to speak as to the rulership and sovereignty of his own specific class, but he must not have one word to say in regard to any other. If he raises his voice against the crimes of the third and in the interest of the first he is called an anarchist. If he calls for fair play—one to the other—he is classed with the communists. If he dare attempt to prove his position, sometimes vile anathemas are heaped upon him, and he is cried down. A great southern preacher says that the "hit dog always howls" and I believe that it is true, especially when a David from the middle class hurls a stone of truth at the bragging Goliath of the robber knights.

Forbes is all right.

J. N. CAUTCHER.

## Grand Jury for March Term, 1896.

Wms Warden, S H Fox, W H Chapman, John W McKinney, J C Stone, W A Moyers, J H Bewman, E A Skiles, F P Rollow, C M Christie, Jacob Bryan, F M Douglas, John F Gibson, R B Whisenant, J P Haislip, Sib Stone.

PETIT JURY, 2D WEEK, MARCH 23.

J M Moody, W A Smith, H L Murray, J W Hunter, H B Carlisle, C G Burkett, W B Garnett, J W Stewart, J A Hargraves, J L Angel, E S Blythe, J R Adams, Wm Forman, E W Standfred, G M Fleming, A T Robinson, G D Huey, J M Stubblefield, H C Trotter, James Ballard, J W Wilkeh, J H Hagy, H H Finlay, J C Frey, John Johnson jr, J W Howard, C F Saigling, W P Fagg, B F Gantt R W Sandifer.

THIRD WEEK, MARCH 30.

J L Brown, J B Kerr, Plammer Harris, J W Stimpson, R L Woodall, W T Jordon, M S Winn, G C McSpadden, H M Rollins, L T Norwood, J H Ferguson, H L Wells, L E Bumpass, F C Johnston, Dolph Kendall, J M Hendricks, J G Kissinger, W J Aunspeiger, R N Adams, C O Bennett, C C Gregory, J L Forley, L H Searcy, Phil Corbitt, C C Brown, w H H Foust, C C Kimbrough, H w Harless, R w Floyd, James Averett.

FOURTH WEEK, APRIL 6.

J N Taylor, J L Hartman, G R Hunt, Jessie L Jones, T J Erickson, T S Homan, L M Talkington, J F Greer, Jesse Grass, wm. Rowe, J T Horn, C F Allen, J H L C English, G B Ford, H Faires, B S Austin, J D Herndon, A B Hamilton, S G Herndon, H C Herndon, J O Lewis, F w Jackson, F M Hill, wm Allen, H Cotches, N B Lyon, P B Franklin, J D witherspoon, J w Sheppard, M S Handcock.

FIFTH WEEK, APRIL 13th.

P w Murphy, Steve Hobbins, T F Hughston, w B Hardin, J F Stinson, R L Stevens, J w Sinclair, Van Stogner, J A Norwood, A S Hope, Otto Hedgecoxe, S A Harris, J N Spair, John H Harris, H T Jordan, D E Ledbetter, P D Huff, Miles Henslee, E M Galbraith, C S Haggard, J H Jones, John Gentry, R M Hickey-James W Field, J M Hail, J w Bounds, w M Seigler, R A Hughey, Rolan Gooch, J H Giles.

SIXTH WEEK, APRIL 20th.

w A McMillan, G D Carter, M L Aiken, John R Smith, J w worden, w M Howard, J w Bowman, E G Horn, D H Homer, J B Jorrell, R B Huntley, A B Pierce, J w Evans, A C Meeks, J T Starke, J E Ford, w G Lee, J w Goodright Jr, J J Murdey, J A Spaugh, Tisdale Spencer. J T Price, w w Holsenbake, w H Gary, J H Herndon, A M Hicks, J M Kimsie, Jesse Bull, Green Fields J B Farrel.

## LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the postofflce, at McKinney, Tex., Jan. 24, 1896, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

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| Adkins Emma J | Burk Maggie |
| Barnes J T | Caldwell Scottie |
| Davis Emma | Odle Julian |
| Hase Elmore | Johnson George |
| Shaw Susie | Wright Mary |

GENTLEMEN.

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| Barnett W B | Carter John |
| Cloyd S W | Coleman S H |
| Clack James T | Curtis T |
| Dodd Philip | Eads Shorad |
| Estes Wince | Ford C L |
| Ghun M E | Heys Colie |
| Harrison W C | Wilmeth Pedro |
| Hight H L | Hinman Ed |
| Hill John B | Hunter Samuel |
| Kelly W F | Kirklin Dee |
| Johnson Wash | McKinney G L |
| Mordue H C | Reiley W M |
| Simms W B | Shirley W S |
| Williams Bennie | Young B C |

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.

MRS. M. A. CAMERON, Postmistress.


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And Cultivators.

--- FULL LINE OF ---

**HARDWARE, CROCKERY AND FLOWER POTS.**

Up to the times from the Cheapest to the Finest Ware.

**. . . J. P. DOWELL . . .**

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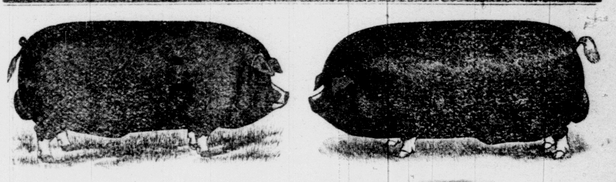

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Headed by B. U. S. Perfection, Jr., of the famous B. U. S. family. Pigs of either sex. Gilts bred. Boars ready for service. All of the choicest strains and breeding.

Write or call on me at McKinney, Texas.

T. M. WILSON.

**JERSEY BULL** Ridicule, Pedigree No. 30024; a fine Jersey Bull bred by Campbell Brown, of Spring Hill, Tennessee; will make the season at my farm near Climax, Texas. Terms $2.50 for the season.

Climax, Texas. J. A. SPAUGH.

**WILCOX & ROGERS**

. . . . Have on hand a large supply of . . . .

**Seed Potatoes.**

OF ALL KINDS

Onion Sets, Garden Seeds, Millet and Sorghum Seed

which they are selling at close prices. See Wilcox & Rogers for

**GROCERIES**

They are in the swim with

**LOW PRICES.**

**Wholesale and Retail Grocer.**

**W. E. DITTO,**

Successor to Lewis & Ditto

Has a Large Stock of **Sugar, Flour, Seed Potatoes, Onion Seed.**

Large variety of Onion Seed and Garden Seed in bulk, and a complete line of GROCERIES which were bought in large quantities at lowest obtainable price for cash, therefore he is in position to save you money. Do not fail to see him before buying anything in the Grocery line.


## Special Prices on Tobacco.


The Estey Organ LEADS THE WORLD

Prices and Terms Reasonable.

J. T. COUCH, Agt

Bingham Block.

McKINNEY, TEXAS.

ESTEY CAMP AND CO. Pianos and Organs.


## From Bowlby.

Feb. 22nd. 1896.

After several cases of la grippe in our community; measles scare yet not over.

Mrs. J. B. Hickey, was able to sit up one hour to-day for the first time in three weeks.

Wheat is looking well. Some are talking of planting corn in a few days.

Sunday school was organized the 9th inst. with J. C. Williams superintendent.

Rev. Grace still preaches for us twice a month, 2nd. and 4th. Sunday evenings at 3, 30 p. m. every body invited to attend. Rev. R. C. Grace is editor of a neat little paper, every body should read it.

CENTRAL.

## DEATHS.

Walter Renfro of Altoga died Saturday night of hemorrhage of the bowels. Interment Sunday at Walnut Grove cemetery.

## CITY ELECTION APRIL 6.

We are authorized to announce

For Marshall,
SAM BURKS.
CHIEF WARDEN
W S PHILLIPS

For City Assessor and Collector
T. L. McMULLEN.
R. B. DAVIS
WASHTAYLOR

For City Attorney
HUGH McCLELLAN
J. M. MUSE

## ELECTION NOV. 3.

We are authorized to announce

For Constable, Ind'nt, Precinct No. 1,
MARVEL WILLIAMS.

Subject to the action of the democratic party.

For Constable Precinct No. 1.
HARRY McDONALD.
J. C. B ONE.
J. E. CAMPBELL.
J. C. KE BY

For Justice of Peace Precinct No 1
J. T. ANDREWS.
J H FAULKNER

For District Court Clerk
E R HALL

For County Clerk
J. A. WALDEN

For Co. Supt. of Schools
W. W. SHEPHERD

## To Candidates Of All Parties.

If you desire to have your name placed before the many readers of THE DEMOCRAT why, just send us word or call and see us. We charge regular rates, but do not desire to constantly bore you to get you to announce with us. If you think it is of any advantage to be represented before our large list of subscribers of course you will announce in THE DEMOCRAT.

## CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

### Concerning People and Home Events of Interest to All.

KNOCKED OUT!—all competition by Denton's Pharmacy.

Will the sidewalks be repaired? We shall see.

Don't neglect to attend the central club meeting in McKinney Mar. 7th

Gressyv. B. Shimmelpfenig visited in Plano last week.

Ditto's for best northern flour. Every sack guaranteed.

Mrs. R. A. Hammond is recovering from a severe siege of the measles.

POPULISTS:—Get your neighbors to subscribe for The Democrat this year.

Miss Mary Herndon has returned from a visit to Sherman.

Wash Taylor has our thanks for favors extended THE DEMOCRAT this week.

Melton is still in the lead when it comes to groceries.

G. W. Shields was in to see us Friday and subscribed for THE DEMOCRAT.

Buy your seed potatoes and garden seeds of Melton.

J. B. Ray is the happy father of a fine boy.

Onion sets at Melton's.

Fairfield school was discontinued Monday.

A train of convicts are encamped just south of town.

J. B. Jett, of Princeton, was a caller at our office yesterday.

Wonders of the age at the Nickel store—call and see for yourself.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson, a girl.

T. M. McDaniel returned from the markets Sunday night.

Editors Ridout of the Plano Star and Perkins of the Wylie Rustler were at the hub Tuesday.

W. E. Purnell of the Racket store arrived Monday from the northern markets.

Ditto's for onion seed, also garden seed in bulk.

Miss Lena Webb of Missouri is visiting her cousin, Miss Blanch Cox, in this city.

Ditto's for N. Y. early rose, peerless Jackson white seed potatoes

Jas. Frye and wife of Hustonville, Ky., are visiting Mr. J. C. Frye and family —Plano Star.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ledbetter left Sunday for Culleoka, their future home.

Gabe Lucas and daughter, Miss Pearl, went up to Melissa Sunday on a visit to friends.

Ditto's for beauty of Hebron and Burbank seed potatoes.

Editor J. W. Crayton, of the Farmersville Times, was on our streets last week shaking hands.

Miss Maggie Stewart returned Monday from an extended visit to relatives in Armstrong county.

T. H. Simonds of near Princeton, reports that he has a fine new boy stopping at his house.

F. Morgitt and Miss Annie Athens were morried Sunday afternoon in this city. Eld. S. W. Crutcher officiated.

H. L. Richey of North McKinney had a fine yearling colt to kill itself last week.


Awarded
Highest Honors—World's Fair,
DR.
PRICE'S
CREAM
BAKING
POWDER
MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
40 YEARS THE STANDARD.


Mr. and Mrs. Bob Padgitt entertained a number of young people at their home in South McKinney Thursday evening.

Doc Turner has purchased the east side barber shop from John Renois. The latter will remain in McKinney.

J. P. Austin has returned from New Madrid county, Missouri, where he has been engaged in teaching school.

J. F. Cave, of Melissa, called on us yesterday and renewed for The Democrat.

A nice new line of baby buggies just received at J. H. Sneed's.

Deputy Sheriff Pat Moulden arrested Will Stubblefield, colored, Saturday evening. Stubblefield is accused of having made a "gun play" at another Farmersville darkey.

R. G. Hughes will canvass Collin county selling the Estey and other leading makes of organs and pianos.

Charles M. Pyne left last week for Havensville, Kansas, on a visit to his sister, Mrs. A. M. Chewning.

W. W. McDowell, Will Sims, John McKinney and J. A. Evans went duck hunting down on Duck and Grassy lakes this week.

Wallace Houston of Plano was in McKinney, Friday.

Mesdames Gillian and Brown of Valdasta visited friends in McKinney last week.

D. D. Kemper, one of our efficient East Collin teachers, was in McKinney Saturday.

The supper given by the ladies of the Christian church Friday night was well patronized.

Condition powder for hens, poultry and cattle at Smith Bros.

Atty J. M. Muse went up to Anna on legal business Friday.

Miss. Daisy Clark has returned from Denton.

Miss. Bessie Bell of Farmersville was the guest of Miss Edna Clardy the latter part of last week.

If you want your horse to feel good and be healthy, go to Smith Bros.' and get a package of the best powder on the market.

Capt W. H. Love of this city was elected Chairman of the 5th congressional district by the republican convention which met in Sherman last week.

Labe Cox of Dallas was in McKinney the latter part of last week.

J. A. Barnett came over from Greenville Thursday and remained a couple of days.

Now is the time of year to feed your chickens copperas, assafoetida, etc., also to disinfect their nests. Your needs will be supplied at Smith Bros.

J. M. Muse announces in this issue of The Democrat for city attorney of McKinney. Jim is amply qualified for the duties of the office and will receive a careful consideration at the hands of the voters next April.

Spend your nickles at the Nickle Store.

Rev. J. M Robertson, Jim Rhea, Will Oates, Will Benge and Dr. Foote formed a hunting party to Duck Lake last week.

The exposure to all sorts and conditions of weather that a lumberman is called upon to endure in the camps often produces severe cold which, if not promptly checked result in congestion or pneumonia Mr. J. O. Davenport ,ex-manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., an immense institution at Fort Bragg, Cal., says they sell large quantities of Chamberain's Cough Remedy at the company's store and that he has himself used this remedy for a severe cold and obtained immediate relief. This medicine prevents any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia and insures a prompt recovery. For sale by City Drug Store.

Case of Ike Denton vs. Manse Wilmeth in justice Faulkner's court was decided in favor of the defendant Thursday. J. M. Muse represented the defendant and W. M. Abernathy, the plaintiff.

Send for a sample copy of "New Idea," a new illustrated monthly, devoted to information about new inventions, discoveries and the world's progress in general. Get up a club of two and get your paper free. Address
ISAAC A. ARMSTRONG,
McKinney, Texas.

Ed Keen procured a string band and serenaded some young lady friends Monday night. Ed enjoyed himself, but the young ladies failed to arouse from their slumbers.

Do not daily with rheumatism. Get rid of it at once by purifying the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Be sure to get Hood's.

Miss Fannie Patterson, of Scurry county, Tex., arrived in McKinney Monday. She will probably make our city her future home

That cough of yours may become serious; why neglect it when a bottle of Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup will cure it. Fifty doses for fifty cents. Satisfaction guaranteed. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

Mrs. D. J. Martin went down to Plano Monday to visit her mother, Mrs. Mary A. Mathews, who recently sustained a dislocated hip in a fall.

The tender to a gravel train engine was knocked from the switch track near the depot, Monday, by a passing north bound passenger.

Miss Helen Knighton returned Tuesday from a visit to Farmersville. She was accompanied home by Miss Gracie Hendrix who will be her guest for a few days.

Miss Ida Cummins has returned from El Paso where she has been for several months recuperating her health. Her many friends are delighted to note the great improvement in her health.

John A. Walden announces in this issue of The Democrat for re-election to the office of county clerk. Mr. Walden has filled this office one term and believes the people will endorse his record by continuing him in the position another term. He is subject to the democratic primaries.

### Zichner's Fruit Cake Contest.

I have a fine $20 fruit cake now on exhibition at the Star Bakery which will be given to the most popular young lady in McKinney. Every 5 cents you spend in the Star Bakery for bread, cakes or cigars, I will give you a ticket entitling you to one vote in this contest.

Contest begins March 1st and ends at 6 p. m. March 31st.

A ballot-box will be found at Erwin & Fant's drug store in which to deposit the ballots.

The ballots will be counted each day and the result will be published from week to week in The Democrat until the contest closes. A. ZICHNER,
Prop'r Star Bakery.

The colored preachers of McKinney have organized a Ministers Union. Rev. S. Townsell, Pres.; Rev. Wm. Shaw, V. Pres.; Rev. H. E. Brown, Sec.; Rev. S. M. Smith, Treas. No denominational discussions will be allowed in the union, which has been instituted for the benefit of the colored people, intellectually, morally and spiritually.

In Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia and America, the five great continents, Shaker medicines are being used by suffering humanity for the cure of sickness and disease.

Never was there such a universal demand, never such wonderful results.

Shaker Digestive Cordial makes those fat who have become thin by not digesting their food.

It restores the spirits and the appetite of those who are dejected and fagged out from the wearing effects of indigestion.

It relieves the symptoms of dyspepsia and, after using for a reasonable time, finally cures the complaint. Sold by druggists. Trial bottle 10 cents.

Henry Foster got back from El Paso Saturday. He thinks the whole of the much talked of "fistic carnival" was a fake.

Make a dash for long life by dashing for Denton's Pharmacy.

A teachers' examination was held in McKinney on the 20-21 and 22nd inst. Board of examiners: G. P. Brown, W. M. Erwin and J. H. Hill. Number of applicants, eight. Number who failed to get what they applied for, three. C. F. Trotter, permanent; paper sent to Austin.

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| Mrs. G. P. Brown, | first | grade; |
| T. B Owens, | " | " |
| E. P. Downing, | second | " |
| C. E Bowen, (col) | " | " |
| Allie McFadige, (col) | third | " |

Ditto's for best groceries at low price

Each member of the populist finance committee of each community is requested by the president of the central club to report in person March 7th or send a substitute.

Ditto's for special prices on tobacco.

The agent of the Northwestern Yeast Co, of Chicago, Ill., has been distributing free samples of the celebrated Magic Yeast among our people. This is one of the most popular articles manufactured in this country and is sold by all grocers in the northern states and, on account of a growing demand for a pure hop and malt yeast in the southern states, the manufacturers are introducing it by distributing free samples.

The goods can hereafter be found in all first class groceries. This yeast is the only one that was awarded a diploma at the World's Fair. Nothing equals it for producing a healthy, wholesome bread.

R. G Hughes will sell you an organ or piano at factory prices. Office with J. T. Couch, McKinney.

We are yet looking for that wood on subscriptions.

The March Forum will contain a striking review of "The European Situation," by Dr. F. H. Geffcken, probably the most eminent publicist in Europe.

A car load of the well known Sherwin Williams paint just received at the
City Drug Store.

New subscribers are fast coming in to have their names enrolled on The Democrat's list.

FOR SALE:—A high grade organ. Call on The Democrat.

All of munyon's homoepathic remeon hand at Smith Bros, druggest east side square.

The talk of the town and country among all parties, is to the effect that The Democrat is an excellent local paper.

The grocery firm of Lewis & Ditto having dissolved partnership on the first day of Jan. 1896, by mutual consent, the business will be continued by W. E. Ditto, who will guarantee and use his best efforts to serve in the future their many friends and patrons as they have in the past. Thanking our many friends for their liberal patronage,
We remain very truly
H. LEWIS,
W. E. DITTO

Referring to the above I will say I am under many obligations to the good people of McKinney and Collin county for their liberal patronage. I highly recommend my successor to the public and ask for him the same liberal patronage, and assure you the same courteous treatment, fair dealing, etc., in the future as in the past.
Respectfully,
HENRY LEWIS.

B. F. Lockhart, a veteran reformer of Allen, was a welcome visitor to our office recently. He is a populist to the core and believes in the ultimate triumph of all for which that party is now contending. A party composed of such unselfish and patriotic material as this old gentleman, who is nothing more than a fair type of the rank and file of the people's party, cannot fail of accomplishing good for our country.

Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup is only fifty cents a bottle and contains fifty doses; try it, and if you are not benefited your money will be refunded. Manufactured by A. C. Simmons Jr., Med. Co., Sherman, Tex. For sale at Denton's Pharmacy.

Old newspapers for sale at The Democrat office. Price, 25 cents per hundred.

Miss Ella Jenkins visited in Van Alstyne last week.

Sam Moulden is about again after a siege of the measles.

Allen Cagle, cinvict serving a five year term in the pentetiary for horse theft, escaped from the conivct gang in Hill county on the 20 inst. Cagle was sent from Collin county in February 1896.

Prof. w. w. Shepherd, county Superintendent of schools announces in this issue of The Democrat for re-election. While he places himself subject to the democratic primaries Prof. Shepherd says he knows no politice in the discharge of duty and relies on the record of his first term for re-election.

If we used broadcloth instead of good jeans in making BUCKSKIN BREECHES we would improve the quality of the cloth, but that would be all. Couldn't have any better fit or more careful stitches, and the broadcloth wouldn't wear so well. We guarantee them to be the best pants made.

Harry McDonald announces in this issue of The Democrat for Constable, precinct No. 1. Harry is strictly a McKinney boy and all concede his ability to fill the office to which he aspires. H promises to devote his whole attention to the office if elected. He is subject to the action of the democratic party.

Two bank robbers were lynched yesterday at Wichita Falls. They killed Cashier Dorsey of the City National bank of that city.

Palace Car paint covers 75 per cent more surface, looks better, lasts longer and makes the finest finish of any paint in the market. Sold under an absolute guarantee by J. M. Wilcox & Son.

Miss Elliot Harris entertained with music and dancing Monday evening.

Ditto's for Triumph potatoes.

We notice in the published program of a Coalgate (Indian Territory) entertainment Tuesday night, that C. Wesley Goodin was one of the star attractions. Wes seems to be as popular on the stage up there as he was here among his old home people.

We wish to announce to the public that we are prepared to furnish the famous remedy, Micro-line, that has created such astonishing cures and worked such miracles, causing such excitement in medical circles by its most marvelous curative properties. There is no other remedy like it, and it is daily curing cases all over the state that have refused to yield to other treatment. It is a certain cure for Rheumatism, Catarrh, Cancerous sores, Blood, Liver and Kidney Diseases Don't fail to try it. Sold by
ERWIN & FANT,
WALLACE & EVERETT,
Druggists.

Help us to increase our subscription list.

T. B. Wilson spent three days surveying east of McKinney last week. He spent one day in Greenville while absent from this city.

### HONOR ROLL.

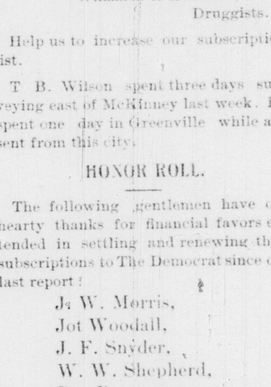
The following gentlemen have our hearty thanks for financial favors extended in settling and renewing their subscriptions to The Democrat since our last report:

J. W. Morris,
Jot Woodall,
J. F. Snyder,
W. W. Shepherd,
Dr. Boorman,
D. Goodin,
M L. Morris,
A. M. Morrison,
B. F. Lockhart,
G. W. Shields,
Mrs. W. H. Andrews,
J. W. Pine,
J. F. Cave.


**Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.**


Any of our subscribers who wish to exchange any product of the farm should call and see us at once.

Bring your country produce to T. J. Melton.



Eloping With Groceries.

Can be forgiven under certain circumstances.

Human nature could hardly withstand the temptation to take some of our Louisana Syrup, American family brand Salmon or some of our full cream cheese. They cannot be beat for quality or price. A full line of garden seeds on hand. Yours truely.
T. J. MELTON.


*The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.*



**Secret of Beauty**

is health. The secret of health is the power to digest and assimilate a proper quanity of food. This can never be done when the liver does not act it's part.

**Do you know this?**

Tutt's Liver Pills are an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, torpid liver, piles, jaundice, bilious fever, biliousness and kindred diseases.

**Tutt's Liver Pills**


Go to P. E. Denton for fresh drugs.

### M'KINNEY MARKETS.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 20.

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| Cotton | 7 to 7½cts. |
| Wheat per bus | 30 to 50cts. |
| Corn " " | 20 to 22cts. |
| Oats " " | 10 to 15cts. |
| Hay, baled, per ton | $4.00 to $5.00 |
| Millet hay per ton | $5.00 to $6.00 |
| Flour per cwt | $2.00 to 2.30 |
| Meal " bus | 35cts. |
| Chops per cwt | 70cts. |
| Bran " cwt | 60cts. |
| Butter per lb | 10 to 15cts. |
| Eggs per doz | 7 to 8cts. |
| Lard per lb | 8 to 10cts. |
| Hogs per cwt | $3.20 |
| Beef on foot per cwt | $1.80 , $2.00. |
| " dressed " lb | 5cts. |
| Dressed pork per lb | 4¼ cts. |
| Chickens per doz | $1.50 to $2.00 |
| Cotton seed per ton | $9.00. |

### A Bank President.

Mr. W. T. Nelson, president of the Second National Bank of Jackson, Tenn., says: "For indigestion and nervous trouble, I would rather give up the use of any remedy I ever tried than King's Royal Germetuer. As a nerve tranquilizer and restorative it is all that can be desired. It is not a narcotic in any sense, but produces the happiest effects upon the disordered nervous system. I consider it an invaluable remedy and have for years been recommending it to my friends." New package, large bottle, 108 doses, $1. For sale by Smith Bros.

### Orange Blossoms.

At the residence of Deputy Sheriff Coffey in this city, Sunday morning, Eld J. M. McKinney united W. J. Ledbetter and Miss Laura Coffey in the holy bonds of matrimony in the presence of relatives and a few intimate friends. The groom, Mr. Ledbetter, is one of Collin county's successful school teachers. The bride has resided with her father in McKinney for several years and is universally esteemed by all acquaintances for her many womanly graces and attainments. THE DEMOCRAT extends congratutions and trusts that their wedded state may be long, and liberally filled with all good things and joys of life.

### $100 REWARD $100.

The readers of this paper will b pleasd to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitttional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucious surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. Chiney & Co., Tole do, O. Sold by Druggist, 75c

### To Populist Clubs.

I see that clubs are being organized throughout the county. Let every People's Party Club in the county be represented by delegates at the meeting of the Central club in McKinney March 7th. The meeting will be called to order at Populist Headquarters on East Virginia street at 1 o'clock sharp, not a minute later. Each club is entitled to one delegate for every ten members or fraction thereof. Let every club be fully represented. E. C. FORBES,
Plano, Tex., Feb. 24, '96. Pres.

### A Recomendation From Los Angeles.

632 Castelar St., LOS ANGELES, Cal.—After having suffered for a long time from acute rheumatism without obtaining relief, I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and was almost immediately relief. I highly recommend this as the best medcine known. D. M. HAMILTON. for sale by City Drug Store.

All persons indebted to the firm of Lewis & Ditto please come in and pay off your accounts or make satisfactory arrangements for settlement.

Prescriptions filled with purest drugs and whiskies or brandy at
City Drug Store.

Don't neglect to get your neighbors to take The Democrat during this campaign year.

In a recent editorial the Salem, Oregon, Independent says: "Time and again have we seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy tried and never without the most satisfactory results. Whenever we see a person afflicted with hoarseness, with a cough or cold, we invariably advise them to get Chamberlain's Cough Remedy; and when they do, they never regret it. It always does the work, and does it well." For Sale by City Drug Store.


# Some Trade Winners!
AT
# The Mississppi Store.
Will pay you to come and see 'em.

Nice Line of New Prints at 5c.
Nice Line of Apron Check Ginghams at 5c Yd.
Nice Line of Dress Ginghams at 5c Yd.
Extra Quality 4-4 Sea Island Domestic at 5c Yd.
Extra Quality Cotton Checks at 5c Yd.
Schoolboy Jeans 20c Yd.
See Our Line of Hamburg Embroideries at 5c and 10c Yd.
Beautiful Line of New Swiss and Nainsook Embroideries just receivedd.
Special Bargains in Ladies Handkerchiefs at 5c each.

## Shoes, Shoes, Shoes!

Men's Oil Grain Congress Plow Shoes. fresh and new, special Bargains at $1.00 Pr.
Boys' Plow Shoes, good ones, at $1.00
Men's Casco Calf Shoes worth $2.00 at $1.50.
Ladies Kid Button shoes 75c Pr.
Ladies Glove Grain Button Shoes $1.00 Pr.
Children's School Shoes 50c to $1.00 Pr.
Elegant Line Ladies Slippers and Oxford Ties just received.

## GREAT BARGAINS IN CLOTHING.

Good Jeans Pants 75c Pr.
All-wool filling Mississippi Jeans Pants for $1.25.
Cassimer Jeans Pants $1.00
Best all-wool $2.50 Cassimer pants in McKinney.
ee us for UP-TO-DATE CLOTHING in Full Suits.
Big Stock of Men's and Boys Hats Just Received. Best and Latest Styles.

Our Dressmaker, Mrs. Bell Stiff Kelly, will return from New York NEXT WEEK. Look out for
OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT.
WATCH THE
Mississippi Store.
Respectfully,
Perry, Oldham & Co.


### RELIGIOUS.

Quarterly conference convenes in the Methodist church at 7:30 p. m. next Monday night.

The ladies of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, will give a dinner in the Shain building, east of the Foot House, Monday Mar. 2. A substantial meal will be spread for 25 cents.

Presiding Elder W. M. P. Rippey of the Greenville district will occupy the Methodist pulpit in McKinney, next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. He is a preacher of more than ordinary ability. Hear him.

Services at the Baptist church were well attended Sunday. At night there were two baptisms.

Rev. G. A. Russell desires to express his sencere gratitude and thanks to the friends of the Christian church for their complimentary invitation to him and his family to partake of their supper Friday night. He regretted that illness presented his going; but he can never forget the kindness of Brother Crutcher in bringing him with his own hands such a good supper. God bless him and his people.—Rev. G. A. Russell.

### Marriage Bells.

Licenses to wed issued by County Clerk J. A. Walden since our last report:

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## DEMOCRATIC EVIDENCE.

### Sacrificing of principle for Pie.

Anna Tex. Feb. 14, 96

The writer wishes to present some grand truths spoken by the Hon. James H. Berry, United States Senator and a democrat of Arkansas delivered in the Senate Wednesday August, the 16th 1896 on the currency question. He said" We say we want a double standard, both gold and silver as was provided by the constitution of the country Try to disguise it as you may, it is an issue, creditors on the one side and debtors on the other; between owners of stocks and bonds on one hand and the producer on the other; between those who desire a limited and contracted currency and those who desire sufficient money to transact the business of the country. It is an issue between those whose it is to have cheap farm products and those whose interests it is to secure the largest price for wheat, and corn, and cotton, and other products of the agricultural states.

Continuing He Said: "It is absolutely certain that if you make gold the only money, the value of the obligations of all bonds, of all evidence of indebtedness will be largely increased; and is equally as certain to my mind that all farm products will be still further depreciated in value. How any man residing in an agricultural state, unless he be a banker or bond holder, can favor a single gold standard is to me utterly incomprehensible."

But they are doing it all the same, and in the name of democracy at that, still, why is it that they have none, and will not advocate in the name of democracy, gold bond issue, the gold standard, the national bank, the free coinage of silver, Green-backs, Subtreasury whisky, prohibition and others too numerous to mention have a favorite berth inside the democratic party, and still we have plenty of people in our country who would see the sacrifice the interests of their home on the altar of party for pie. I will still continue to produce democratic evidence in the future to prove that the democratic party is unworthy of the confidence of the people of the south and west.

NOMOLOS.

## ALLIANCE DEPARTMENT.

[MISS CORA CALLOWAY, OFFICIAL EDITOR.]

(All communications and notices suitable for insertion under this caption should be addressed to the editor at Climax, Tex.)

DIRECTORY.

County alliance meets with New Hope alliance, in McKinney, Apr. 15. Officers: A. C. Stroup, Pres., Verona; Miss Sallie Stroup, Sec., Verona.

SUB-ALLIANCES.

Snow Hill—Meets first and Third Thursday nights.
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New Hope—Meets in McKinney second and fourth Saturdays at 2 p. m.
M. W. Younger, Pres.
W. B. Wilson, Sec.

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A C. Stroup, Pres., Verona.
T. L. Bailey, Sec., "

Sister Grove Alliance meets second and fourth Thursday nights.
A R Recer, pres., Climax.
A D Snyder, sec., Climax.

### Notice Secretaries!

Secretaries of all sub-allances in Collin county will please send in their respective directories at once for insertion in these columns.

## KNOCKED THE BARK OFF.

### A Democratic Maligner Fearfully Scourged

To the pop, paper and Jim Woods and its editorial staff in general—Can a sincere, devout Christian consistently subscribe for and support an infidel paper? Can a highminded, sober, moral gentleman, who believes in virtue, honor, integrity, sobriety, good morals, pure society, peace and prosperity, consistently endorse, support and uphold variety theaters, houses of prostitution, gambling and drunkenness? If so, then a democrat who honestly believes that populistic heresies are hurtful to society, to good government, to the peace and prosperity of people, surely tending to socilism, confiscation of property, disorganization, political tyranny, social debasement, commercial ruin, can conscistantly support and foster all means and ends tending to its success, and final triumph and the overthrow of democracy.

The above from the bowels of slime and mind of hate and disappointed ambition, appeared in the Kaufman Sun last week. Poor Drew—whom the Gods wish to destroy they first make mad. We asked Jim Woods what he had done to Bro. Drew, and he remarked "nothing in the world" and laughingly said when we read the above effusion, "poor old Aunt Rebecca is mad." Don't talk about prostitution, infidelity, crime, pauperism, drunkenness, want of honor, ballot box stuffing, gambling, support of bawdy houses and the like. Your gang has fostered these evils always. Look at your democratic cities of Texas and New York. It is known to all men that they actually license prostitution by licensing bawdy houses. Your gang actually favors a system of taxation in cities that is confiscation and as infamous as robbery itself. You need not deceive yourself; you cannot deceive the people any longer with your billingsgate. Your gang favors every species of tyranny and rascality that will enable them to control the spoils of office. Your gang is the living monument of duplicity and double dealing in politics; and as to religion, judging by the acts of the gang, they never had any.

This is not meant to apply to good, honest, law abiding democrats, for no man would be so depraved as to say such vile things of all opposite political parties to himself as the above article of the Sun.

Your gang, brother Drew, is too much like a tyrant of Europe that caused the wail of the widow and orphan to go up from a million or more homes to the throne of grace and God heard their prayers. Yes, your gang knows no motive but interest, and no God but ambition. We say gang, out of respect to hundreds of good men who yet follow the forlorn hope of modern democracy, but are honest in purpose and heart. We denounce the insinuation that the people's party as a party, favors any such depraved and debauching principles as you would lead your gang to believe. If all men who claim to be democrats, were to be judged by the standard fixed by the conduct of Polk, of Tennessee, Burk of Louisiana, Vincent of Alabama, Noland of Missouri, Breckenridge of Kentucky, Churchill of Arkansaw and Tate of Kentucky, then the tables would be turned on your gang decidedly. Some democratic state treasurers have broke into the penitentiary for stealing the people's taxes, and God knows what else they have done if the truth was only known. Don't wail in your sleep, brother Drew; take your downfall politically as easy as you can—yes, just grin and bear it.—Kaufman Leader.

Harry Tracy, of Dallas spoke to a large audience, mostly citizens of the town, at Plano on the night of the 20th inst. As usual with Tracy, his speech was a masterly effort on this occasion and did much good for reform. After the speaking a populist club of 39 members was organized by electing E. C. Forbes Chairman and A. H. McCarty secretary. J. R. Hagins, A. H. McCarty, J. L. Wyatt and G. W. Cave, were elected delegates to the Central club meeting in McKinney Saturday Mar. 7. How is the above for the banner democratic precinct of old Collin?

According to previous announcement Judge H. D. Wood of Greenville spoke here last Monday night to a good crowd, composed principally of populists. The Judge discussed the platforms of the different parties, and made quite an able address from his standpoint. He scored the democratic leaders, but did it in a gentlemanly manner. He did not indulge in the usual tirade of abuse which characterizes many political speakers. While we do not agree with Judge Wood in everything, yet we feel that it is but justice to him to say that he dealt fairly with all.—Nevada Newsletter.

### Mrs. Lease Preached Her First Sermon Sunday.

Wichita, Kan., Feb. 18—Mrs. Mary E. Lease began her ministerial career in this city Sunday night, and it is safe to say that no minister ever entered upon sacred labors with more flattering prospects than did the noted Kansas woman. The Central Church of Christ, one of the largest in the city, was crowded to the limit of its capacity and many thousands were turned away.

It had been expected that Mrs. Lease would deal largely in sensationalism, but her theme and its exposition were far removed from anything of that nature. Many noted divines have spoken to Wichita audiences, but none of them were accorded such an enthusiastic reception as was Mrs. Lease. It is predicted that her fame as a pulpit orator will far exceed that which she has achieved as a reformer.

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## Political Dates.

Populist national convention, St. Louis, July 22.

Republican national convention St. Louis, June 16.

Democratic national convention Chicago, July 7.

Collin county populist precinct conventions August 1.

The Collin county populist nominating convention meets in McKinney, Aug. 8.

Democratic state convention, (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) in Austin, June 23, to elect delegates to the national convention.

Democratic state nominating convention (called by Chairman Dudley's committee) meets in Fort Worth Aug. 18.

Democratic primary (called by Chairman Dudley) June 6 to select delegates to the Austin convention June 23 and to Fort Worth convention Aug. 18; also to determine the democratic party's financial policy.

The people's party executive committee for the 5th congressional district meets in Sherman March 2 for the purpose of fixing time and place for a congressional convention.

### Old Settlers Read!

There is in Justice J. H. Faulkner's office in this city a large blank book belonging to some old settler's association of Collin county which is now defunct. The book is well bound and is worth twenty-five or thirty dollars. The only writing in it is the preface executed by Sam R. Hamilton in a beautiful hand, and if old settlers would record their names and autobiographies in it, when in McKinney sometime, this book would soon become a valuable as well as an interesting historical document. What old settler will lead in this matter?

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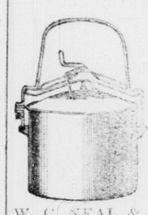

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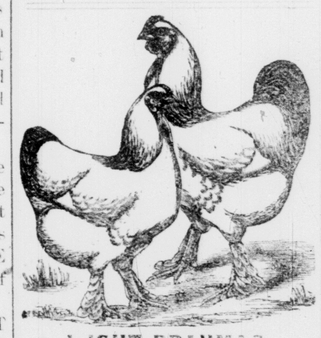

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